

# **CONSTRUCTION AND MANUFACTURING SPECIFICATIONS**

## **A. GENERAL**

Coats, trousers, blouses and all major parts of the uniform are made to fit the nearest stock size from the information supplied by the company representative. This is done for a better year to year fitting program and allows more fitting flexibility. Exceptions are made on unusual sizes wherein the garment is cut and produced to the measurements taken by the company representative.

## **B. LABOR**

All garments must be UNION made and shall include the union label. This is to insure consistency and uniform of the manufactured goods. Uniforms made otherwise may have a tendency toward sloppiness and unprofessional tailoring, due to the unskilled cutting and sewing operations.

## **C. SHIPPING**

Uniforms are to be shipped on wishbone style hangers. Hangers are to be hard plastic, not wood. Wooden hangers have a tendency to pick and pull the basic fabric, and they are not acceptable. The hangers must be bent and rounded at the top to allow the shoulder area of the garment to be spread and hung properly. Each uniform must be delivered in its own clear polyethylene bag to prevent soiling. Uniforms must be delivered in 200 lb. Test cardboard wardrobe containers, opening from the front, and having a metal bar reinforcement at the top with clasp to prevent hangers from disengaging from the metal structure. Each carton will be properly marked on the outside, with identification numbers of the uniforms contained in that specific carton.

## **D. IDENTIFICATION**

Each major garment item is to have identification numbers sewn into the individual pieces to allow for quick and easy issuing. Coats, trousers, and blouses are to have woven numerals. Trousers are to include inseam and waist information for future reference; coats shall have chest size and length indicated on a linen ticket. The original order is to include a bound booklet with the numbers of each uniform corresponding to the particular size of that uniform, arranged from the smallest to the largest. Size information shall include chest size, height, weight, and inseam for each uniform. Bound in the identification record shall be a size chart for use as reference for purchase of future uniforms.

## **E. INSPECTION**

All garments are to be carefully inspected before final packing and shipment. All thread ends to be picked and cut and specifications, trim and details to be critically checked for each individual garment before shipment. Buttons to be applied and sewn at that time.

**F. VERIFICATION OF FABRIC PROCESSION**

Any dacron/wool blend fabric from any vendor must be professional cold water and alcohol sponged, decated, and inspected. Bidder must submit in writing, certification that dacron/wool blend fabric will have undergone this fabric stabilization prior to manufacture of the uniforms. Also, such certification should be submitted in writing by an officer of the bidding company.

The company actually performing the stabilizing process must be indicated, with an individual or officer of said company to contact for verification of processing.

As dacron/wool garments having not undergone such processing can experience significant and excessive shrinkage, bidders not providing such a sponging treatment and certification in this bid will be disqualified.

**G. SUSTAINABLE VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE**

Any 14 oz Polyester fabrics must be certified by UTrust Verification Program and must be made from ECO-FRIENDLY textile products, developed from sustainable fibers.

A UTrust Verification Certificate must be attached to this bid or RFP Solicitation. This certificate must be signed by an individual or officer for UTrust.